Frequently Asked Questions about the Latah Trail

When will the Latah Trail be officially open for use?

The County will pave the first section of the Trail in the summer of 2003. The remainder of the route is planned for completion by 2005.

What about the place where the railbed has been removed?

In this location, a new section of trail is being designed closer to the highway.

Who is paying for the Latah Trail?

A public/private partnership. Significant contributors include private citizens, area businesses, foundations, Latah County and the Idaho Transportation Department.

If you have any questions or would like to find out how you can help, please contact:





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Help Build Latah Trail



SO listen to the birdsongs The wind among the trees You can look at Moscow Mountain Or the wheat fields if you please From Tomer down to Joel Past the pheasants and the quail You're on the run of the Burlington The beautiful Latah Trail.

Original lyrics by Dana Magnuson, sung to the chorus of Wabash Cannonball.



"The Latah Trail will significantly add to the many recreational opportunities afforded the people living on the Palouse. The trail will add a safe transportation alternative for those living east of Moscow." 1998 RACE ACROSS AMERICA FINISHER



"I reside with my family just east of Troy and enjoy biking and running. I travel that highway every day. The successful completion of the Chipman Trail between Moscow and Pullman has proven to be an important economic benefit. Continuing the trail to Troy would make this a destination area for bicycling, running, and skating activities."

GERARD CONNELLY
BUSINESS OWNER AND TROY RESIDENT



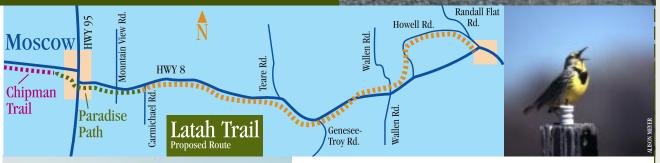
The purpose of the Latah Trail project

is to provide a safe transportation alternative for bicyclists and pedestrians. It will also serve as a conservation and recreation corridor between Moscow and Troy. Bicyclists, walkers, runners, in-line skaters and cross-country skiers are among those who will share the path. A parallel soft-surface path may be considered in the future to meet the needs of other trail users.

The Latah Trail will link with the Bill Chipman-Palouse Trail and Moscow's Paradise Path to the west and with the Troy City Park to the east. There are many new and unique experiences and opportunities for conservation and education along the Latah Trail. The forested area outside of Troy provides a dramatic contrast to the rolling hills so familiar to the Palouse.

The Latah Trail benefits our community with:

- •Safe, non-motorized travel
- Recreational opportunities
- •Open space preservation
- Economic benefits
- •Increased tourism
- Educational experiences
- •Historic preservation of a scenic railway corridor





Several groups are working together to

build the Latah Trail. Latah County, the lead-sponsoring agency, has acquired most of the former railroad right-of-way between Moscow and Troy, and is proceeding with a plan to develop a 10-ft. wide asphalt path along the route.

The Idaho Transportation Department has provided funds to the County for the purpose of developing the trail. In addition, the Latah Trail Foundation, Inc., a local non-profit organization, has been busy raising private funds for the trail. An advisory committee composed of local citizens has received technical assistance for the trail planning effort from the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program of the National Park Service. Also involved in planning efforts are the City of Troy, the City of Moscow, and the University of Idaho. All of these groups and individuals are working together to make the Latah Trail a reality.

"The Latah Trail represents a celebration of our sense of place."

NANCY CHANEY PALOUSE ROAD RUNNERS MEMBER

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Yes, I want to help build and maintain the Latah Trail!

My tax-deductible contribution is enclosed:

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